

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Confirmation No. 9908

In re : Application of Steve Viny  
For : AIR SEPARATOR AND SPLITTER PLATE SYSTEM AND  
METHOD OF SEPARATING GARBAGE  
Serial No. : 10/790,521  
Filed : March 1, 2004  
Group Art Unit : 3653  
Examiner : Jonathan R. Miller  
Our Docket No. : DAL-101  
Customer No. : 24036

January 11, 2007

**COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is a Preliminary Amendment filed concurrently with an RCE for the referenced application, which in turn was filed after a response to the Office Action dated September 11, 2006, having a shortened statutory period of response set to expire on December 11, 2006. A Petition for a 1 month extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith.

Please amend the referenced application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.